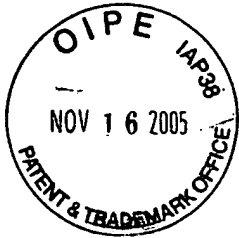


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Application No.: 10/552,631 )

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CARTRIDGE, USE OF A FILTER )  
IN A CARTRIDGE AND A )  
SYSTEM FOR PREPARING A )  
LIQUID SOLUTION FOR A )  
MEDICAL PROCEDURE )

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Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

An English language Abstract of non-English document DE 20008860 U1, is enclosed.

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SE-B-467142 discloses a cartridge for receiving a particulate material. The cartridge includes an upstream filter and a downstream filter.

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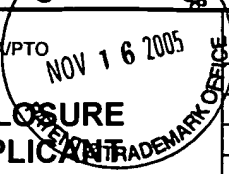
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